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SCAQMD Issues Windblown Dust & Ash Advisory

Valid Thursday, November 8, 2018

This advisory is in effect today. SCAQMD will issue an update if additional information becomes available.

A PM10 Dust Advisory is in effect for Thursday, November 08, 2018 for the western portion of Riverside and San Bernardino Counties along with the southern portion of Orange County in the South Coast Air Basin. Strong Santa Ana winds have led to blowing dust, causing Very Unhealthy air quality in the Metropolitan Riverside County (Area 23). Additional areas may experience elevated particulate levels as this wind event continues through the afternoon and into tomorrow. In addition, strong winds over the Holy fire burn-scar may lead to areas of blowing ash in southern Orange County. PM10 concentrations are expected to drop by Friday evening.

Areas of direct dust impacts and Unhealthful air quality may include portions of:

- Riverside County: Areas 22 (Corona/Norco), 23 (Metropolitan Riverside County), 24 (Perris Valley), and 25 (Lake Elsinore Area).
- San Bernardino County: Area 33 (Southwest San Bernardino Valley), Area 34 (Central San Bernardino Valley), and Area 35 (East San Bernardino Valley).
- Orange County: Area 19 (Saddleback Valley), Area 20 (Central Coastal Orange County), and Area 21 (Capistrano Valley)



In areas directly impacted by windblown dust: Everyone should avoid any vigorous outdoor or indoor exertion; people with respiratory or heart disease, the elderly, and children should remain indoors.

- SCAQMD Advisory updates can be found at the following link: http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/air-quality/advisories/advisory.pdf
- To subscribe to air quality alerts, advisories and forecasts by email, go to www.AirAlerts.org
- To view current air quality conditions by region in an interactive map, see https://www.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=dd4a15deed8647edacb14f1 https://www.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=dd4a15deed8647edacb14f1 https://www.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=dd4a15deed8647edacb14f1 https://www.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=dd4a15deed8647edacb14f1
- For a map of SCAQMD Forecast Areas, see http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/default-document-library/map-of-monitoring-areas.pdf

The SCAQMD is the air pollution control agency for Orange County and major portions of Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Riverside counties.